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House Resolution 714

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## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing the Dixie Speedway of Woodstock, Georgia, on its 40th Anniversary race and
- 2 recognizing May 23, 2009, as Dixie Speedway Day; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, the Dixie Speedway was designed and built by the Southeast dirt track legend
- 4 Bud Lunsford in 1969; and
- 5 WHEREAS, this three-eighths mile, oval clay track in Woodstock, Georgia, is one of about
- 6 900 dirt tracks in the United States and one of about a dozen such tracks in Georgia; and
- 7 WHEREAS, the Dixie Speedway has showcased the talents of the region's up-and-coming
- 8 and world famous drivers, including Bill Elliott, Richard Petty, Dale Earnhardt, Davey
- 9 Allison, and Jeff Gordon; and
- 10 WHEREAS, this well-known Georgia speedway was used in the filming of Six Pack, starring
- 11 Kenny Rogers; and

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- 12 WHEREAS, the Dixie Speedway is known for its family-friendly atmosphere, and its
- policies, such as no alcohol sales, demonstrate the speedway's commitment to keeping racing
- 14 focused on family fun and first-class entertainment; and
- 16 WHEREAS, the Dixie Speedway is a major contributor to the local sports economy, drawing
- 17 visitors from across the Southeast for top-quality stock car racing; and
- 18 WHEREAS, racing at the Dixie features the roar of 800-horsepower engines, the aroma of
- 19 exhaust fumes and corn dogs, and the sheer exhilaration at the drop of the green flag; and
- 20 WHEREAS, it is fitting and proper that the many contributions of the Dixie Speedway to our
- 21 economy and to our state be recognized.

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22 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that

- 23 the members of this body express their pride and honor in having the Dixie Speedway in our
- 24 state and as a part of this state's racing history and, in honor of the speedway's 40th
- anniversary race, recognize May 23, 2009, as Dixie Speedway Day.
- 26 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 27 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the Dixie Speedway.